

Re: Localism Meeting San Antonio, TX 1/28/04

We as citizenry own the airwaves. We offer media companies the opportunity to use the airwaves in exchange for their responsibility of serving the public's best interests. We strongly encourage the FCC to make certain media companies are doing their job.

A handful of these large conglomerates have the influence to control messages disseminated to the public, greatly restricting the public's ability to have access to alternative voices and messages in media. We are urging the FCC to oppose the rule change.

We are concerned that consolidation threatens the coverage of local issues. We are urging the FCC to oppose the ownership rules, so that diversity and competition in media can exist.

We urge the proliferation of alternate stations - low-band FM - that would provide community organizations with access to the public.